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Newsome named Venice police chief

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Recently retired Madison Sheriff's Department Captain James E. Newsome has been named acting Venice police chief.

He will replace James Bennett, who is retiring March 31.

"After 25 years, three months and 16 days, that's enough," Bennett said Wednesday.

Bennett said not sure what he will do after leaving the department.

"I have a couple of things in mind, but I haven't made any decisions," he said.

At Tuesday's Venice City Council meeting, Mayor Tyrone Echols read a letter from Bennett announcing his retirement. The letter was dated March 5.

Bennett, 53, has been a member of the Venice police department for 25 years, and has been chief for the last five.

Echols then appointed Newsome as acting chief.

Newsome, who retired from the sheriff's department earlier this year, was most recently in charge of the county jail. He is a member of the Madison School Board and the Venice Board of Police Commissioners.

"I think Capt. Newsome will be a very good replacement," Echols said. "He comes with



Newsome



Bennett

some very impeccable credentials. I think he'll do our department good."

Rumors had been circulating that Newsome would be named chief when Bennett retired, but Echols said he only recently made the decision.

"I heard that, too, and, believe it or not, it didn't come from me," he said. "Circumstances just came out that way."

Newsome could not be reached for comment.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

A pedestrian strolls past a cluster of political signs lining Madison Avenue in Granite City.

8 seeking board seats

3 local races in election

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

The only three contested races for Madison County Board seats in the March 19 primary are in districts located in the Granite City area.

A total of eight candidates are seeking the Democratic nomination for the three seats on the county board. Two of the candidates are incumbents.

In County Board District 16, Chouteau Township Supervisor Pat Polley and Nameoki Township Clerk Helen Hawkins are seeking the Democratic nomination for the seat

currently held by Charles "Tim" Knott, who is vacating the position to seek a state representative post.

Incumbent Frank Laub faces three challengers for the nomination for his seat in District 19: Harold Davis, a steelworker; Joe Papa, an Olin employee; and Michael Antonovich are all on the Democratic primary ballot.

In District 21, incumbent Ray Romine, a Granite City firefighter, faces a challenge from former county board member Vasil Efimoff, a retired teacher and school administrator.

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GC Steel seeks complaint hearing

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City Steel has requested a formal hearing on a recently-issued administrative complaint filed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

"We have responded and requested a hearing to determine outstanding issues of fact in law," said Bob Maxwell, manager for public relations at Granite City Steel.

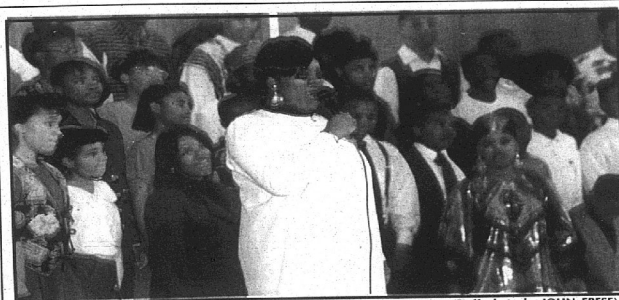
The complaint alleges air pollution violations at the company's coke plant and coke by-product recovery plant in Granite City on 83

New line to be unveiled, Page 3A

days between Jan. 1, 1992, and Jan. 1, 1996, according to William Omohundro, an administrator for EPA Region 5 in Chicago.

The complaint proposes a penalty of \$125,054. But Maxwell said the facilities in question are "well controlled facilities with exceptional compliance records."

"The air quality in the Granite City area has met national ambient standards for particulate (See HEARING, Page 8A)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Celebration — Shalathiel Sharp sings a gospel song with the backing of the Venice High School and Grade School Choir after a presentation at the high school honoring famous black educators during Black History Month. See Page 3A for more photos.

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John Fuller, Chief Meteorologist, KSDK NewsChannel 5

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Salute

Mary Ann Mumper is someone her boss can count on. Mumper — of Worden — is an office clerk at Gateway Midstate Truck Plaza in Madison and was recently named employee of the year for 1995. She started working at the truck plaza in January of 1995.

"She fills in whenever she's needed, she has excellent initiative and is an excellent team player," said her boss, Rick Koehne.

He said she is always eager to work and make suggestions.

"I definitely can count on her," he said.

The company has an employee of the month program, which Mumper won twice.



Mary Ann Mumper

Police chases end with two arrests

Area police officers dealt with two separate high-speed chases this week. Both involved women and ended when they apparently lost control of the cars they were driving.

A 21-year-old woman from Lincoln Place was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and three other traffic violations after leading police on a chase through Granite City that concluded Tuesday when she lost control of her car and spun off the Chain of Rocks Canal levee road.

The second incident involved

a Washington Park woman who told police she was trying to kill herself. She led Venice officers on a high-speed chase through several communities that ended Monday afternoon when her vehicle struck a fence.

Kimberly D. Webb, 27, of the 5200 block of Forest Boulevard in Washington Park, was cited for numerous traffic violations after her arrest.

The first incident involved Marsha Kutz, of the 1900 block of Poplar Street, who was arrested Tuesday night and charged with DUI, aggravated fleeing and attempting to elude

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News in review

News in review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is designed for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Press-Record/Journals.

Pollution violations alleged

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has filed an administrative complaint against National Steel for alleged air pollution violations at the company's coke plant and coke by-product recovery plant in Granite City.

The complaint alleges federal and state air pollution regulation violations on 83 days between Jan. 1, 1992, and Jan. 1, 1996, according to William Omohundro, an administrator for EPA Region 5 in Chicago.

The complaint proposes a penalty of \$125,054.

Bob Maxwell, manager for public relations at Granite City Steel, said Monday that he was unaware of the specifics of the complaint and that company personnel were evaluating the matter.

"It may be related to a problem that we resolved a couple of years ago," Maxwell said.

Fire hits apartment building

John Thomas of Pontoon Beach was in bed and his wife and children were watching television Sunday night when an explosion ripped through their apartment building.

The explosion and fire—believed to have been caused by a faulty furnace—heavily damaged the four-family apartment at 4156 Illinois 162.

All 12 residents escaped without injury, but one firefighter was treated for smoke inhalation, said Long Lake Fire Chief Dan Kreher.

The explosion occurred at about 11 p.m. Kreher said the flames apparently traveled through the furnace duct work and immediately engulfed the building.

Horseshoe Lake boosted

By this time next year, officials with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources are hoping to see a "tremendous" increase in attendance at Horseshoe Lake State Park because of improvements now under way.

The state is beginning the last phase of a \$2.25 million capital improvement project that includes picnic and playground equipment, and a new road to connect the eastern and northern portions of the park.

Enterprise zone to be extended

An ordinance extending an existing Madison County enterprise zone into St. Clair County was approved by the Madison City Council Tuesday.

The extended zone will include the city's new tax increment financing district.

If approved by other governmental bodies, the extended enterprise zone will provide several economic incentives for development in the area, including the \$22 million expansion of Gateway International Raceway expected to begin soon.

IEPA consulted on cleanup

Granite City officials want to meet with representatives of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to find out how to end the city's contamination problems at its main fire station.

"We've utilized half of the money available," said Alderman Craig Tarpoft, chairman of the City Council's Planning, Zoning, Annexations, Engineering and Inspections Committee. "There's a million dollar cap and we've gotten nowhere."

Paving the road to recovery
4 become first defendants before county's new drug court

The road to recovery recruited four new travelers Monday as the county's new drug court took off running.

The defendants appeared in court and they all seemed real enthusiastic about getting started," Madison County Chief Criminal Judge Edward C. Ferguson, the court director, said. "We have three more people lined up for (Tuesday) and we may even have a few more recruits before the end of the week."

The program, designed to treat first-time drug offenders, is a yearlong effort by numerous officials, including Ferguson, members of the county's state's attorney and public defender's offices and officials of Piassa Health Care, which is providing treatment services. Defendants who are eligible for the program are given an opportunity to sign up for treatment soon after they are arrested and charged. The program is open to offenders charged with felony prostitution, felony deceptive practices, felony theft and retail theft, in addition to felony drug possession. Offenders charged with drug trafficking or delivery are not eligible.

"There are advantages to completing this program successfully. They will get the treatment they need and there will not be a conviction on their record."

— Edward C. Ferguson
Chief judge

Offenders who enroll in the program can anticipate at least one year of treatment and numerous court appearances.

The program's first recruits—three men and one woman—were each charged with felony drug possession. After a brief appearance in court Monday, the four were sent to Piassa Health Care for an initial screening.

"I will see those four again on (next) Monday," Ferguson said. "It will give

them a chance to start treatment. When they come back in I will discuss their progress and get a feel for how they like it."

"It's new to all of us, but we seem to be heading in the right direction." Offenders who sign up for the program automatically waive their rights to a jury trial and agree to stipulate to all evidence. If an offender successfully completes the program, the felony charge is dismissed. If an offender fails to complete the program, the case goes to trial.

"There are advantages to completing this program successfully," Ferguson said. "They will get the treatment they need and there will not be a conviction on their record."

Ferguson said he plans to keep close tabs on the participants, with weekly court appearances and drug tests. "There may be some rough spots along the way, but we're going to work together as a team and try our best to help these people," he said.

— From the Alton Telegraph

'Lotto' scam foiled

A bank worker tipped off police last week to a "Canadian Lotto" scam that has targeted at least two elderly households in the Glen Carbon.

The employee notified police when an elderly couple attempted to withdraw \$3,750 to pay "Canadian taxes" on a \$50,000 prize the couple had allegedly won, police said.

An officer contacted the couple and learned that they had received a telephone call on the afternoon of Feb. 28 from an unidentified woman who convinced the couple that if they paid the "taxes," they would receive the prize in mid-March.

The caller, who refused to identify herself or give a telephone number, instructed the couple to leave the money with a courier who would stop by their residence later, police said.

The couple opted not to pursue the alleged opportunity further after discussing it with the officer, police said.

— From the Alton Telegraph

Arrested on traffic charges

Two neighbors from Madison were charged with multiple traffic charges in almost identical separate incidents after both tried to escape from police Friday evening.

Johnny Maurice Glover, 24, and Antonio J. Jennings, 20, both of the 200 block of Hill Street in Madison, were arrested within an hour of one another after officers observed them speeding on Broadway in Venice.

Glover was charged with speeding, aggravated fleeing to elude, illegal transportation of alcohol, driving with a suspended license and driving an uninsured motor vehicle. He also had outstanding warrants for criminal damage to property, resisting arrest and domestic battery. He was freed after posting \$704 cash bond.

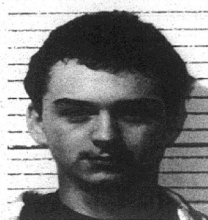
Jennings was charged with speeding, aggravated fleeing to elude, illegal transportation of alcohol, driving an uninsured motor vehicle, and driving without a valid driver's license. He was released after posting \$404 cash bond.

Dispatcher charged with theft

A Venice police dispatcher was arrested last week after allegedly shoplifting clothing at Famous-Barr in Fairview Heights.

Harelyn Deanne Wilson, 27, of Madison, was charged with theft under \$300. She was released after posting \$100 bond.

Venice police officials said Monday that at that time no action has been taken by the department.



Billy Joe Swaringham



Douglas Walker

Granite City's Most Wanted

Billy Joe Swaringham and Douglas Walker are among 1390 block of Kirkpatrick Homes, is wanted on a warrant charging him with residential burglary.

Bond on the warrant is \$50,000. Persons with information regarding the whereabouts of Swaringham or Walker are urged to call the Granite City Police Department at 877-6111 or 876-9027.

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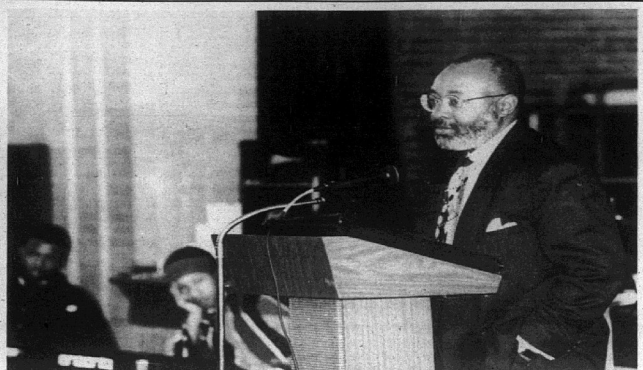
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Tribute — Members of the Venice High School and Venice Grade School Choir, at left, sing a gospel song during a presentation held in the high school auditorium for Black History Month.



At right, Lacey Turner, owner of the Lacey Corporation, speaks to students at the assembly about the planning that is necessary to start one's own business and the challenges one must face.

(Staff photos by JOHN FRESSE)

Steel plant ready to unveil new line

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City Steel will kick off the city's second 100 years Saturday when the company officially rolls out its new Triple G coating line.

Granite City was chartered on March 9, 1896. The city had grown up around its largest employer, Granite City Steel Works and Stamping Works. Exactly 100 years later, Granite City Steel is still the city's largest employer with more than 3,000 workers. Groundbreaking for the Triple G (Granite's Galvanized and Galvalume) line took place April 13. While the line was up and running by the end of January, the company will officially unveil its new state-of-the-art facility Saturday afternoon.

"This is another step highlighting National Steel's commitment to responding quickly to customers' demands," said Ken Leonard, vice president and general manager at the Granite City Division.

The Triple G line is designed to meet a growing demand in the construction industry for lighter, versatile, rust-resistant steel. The material will be marketed to the low-rise construction industry for use in industrial, commercial and residential buildings.

Granite City Steel has been producing galvanized steel for roofing and siding under several different names, but Galvalume — which is coated with zinc and aluminum — is a relatively new product in the

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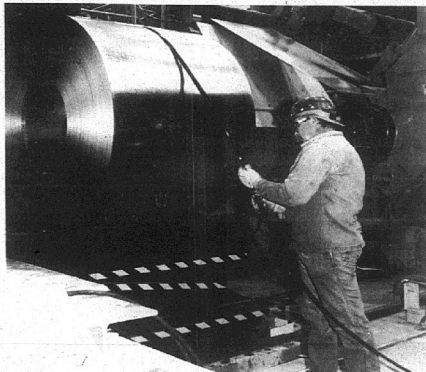
— V. John Goodwin
National Steel CEO

emerging market for residential roofing, siding and framing. The new line processes cold-rolled carbon steel in strip form through a hot-dipped galvanizing process. The line can produce 270,000 tons of high-quality galvanized and Galvalume product annually in widths ranging from 24 inches to 49 inches.

Along with the addition of zinc and aluminum to coating material, Galvalume is produced at a higher temperature than standard galvanized steel.

The American Iron and Steel Institute estimates that steel industry shipments for residential housing could grow to as much as 2 million tons annually by the turn of the century. National Steel has set a goal of capturing 35 percent of the construction market.

V. John Goodwin, president, chief executive and chief operating officer for National Steel Corp., said the quick



A line operator places a bond on a finished galvanized coil produced at the Triple G Coating Line.

start-up is the result of hard work and the cooperation by union workers.

"With their help and cooperation, we were able to quickly build the line and operate it competitively," Goodwin said.

National Steel received competing proposals for the new facility from 41 initial applicants. The company's board of directors selected

"This line will keep Granite City and National Steel at the cutting edge of technology as we move into the 21st century."

— George Becker
USWA president

cutting edge of technology as we move into the 21st century," said George Becker, a Madison native and currently international president of the USWA.

Granite City established a tax increment finance district for the company.

The Triple G line is about 650 feet long. Its looping towers are about 80 feet tall. Spread along the line and interacting with the other equipment are two entry reels, six steering units, nine bridges, two looping towers, three weigh scales, three weld detectors, one coating weight gauge, three thickness gauges, nine tensiometers, one skin pass mill, one tension leveler and one rewinder.

The entire line is controlled by an advanced computer system.

The new line brings with it an additional 40 to 50 jobs at the Granite City Division and is expected to increase the company's major purchases in the area by about \$27 million annually, excluding utilities.

Attempted robbery reported

Granite City police are investigating a report of an attempted armed robbery in the downtown area Tuesday night.

The victim, a 44-year-old female resident of the 2000 block of Washington Avenue, told police a man tried to rob her of her purse at knife-point at about 10 p.m. Tuesday.

No money was taken and the victim was unharmed, according to a police report.

The victim told police she was returning home from the Bingo hall when she went into her home and retrieved a Social Security card for her daughter, who remained in the car.

The daughter left when the victim gave her the card. But a man grabbed the victim as she walked up her driveway toward her front door, she told police.

The man held a knife to her throat, told her to give him her purse and the money in her pockets, and threatened to kill her, she told police.

The victim told the man she had no money and began to scream.

The suspect then fled on foot across the alley to Lee Avenue, the victim told police.

She described the suspect as 5-foot-2-inches tall, weighing 135 pounds and wearing blue jeans and a blue hooded sweat shirt.

Gospel Fest Saturday in Venice

The Joe W. Roberts Youth Athletic Club presents its first Gospel Fest, featuring more than 13 choirs, from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday at Venice Lincoln Technical Center, 300 Fourth St. in Venice. Admission is \$5.

Joe W. Roberts Youth Athletic Club is a nonprofit organization. Proceeds from this effort will be used to continue the summer lunch program for the youth of the community.

For more information, call Joe W. Roberts or the Rev. Lee Pitmon at 451-2684.

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Support meeting

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THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED
Attorney at Law

This office will sometimes receive calls from a person who has lived with a member of the opposite sex without benefit of marriage. In many cases, this unmarried cohabitant will inquire about his or her legal rights to property as a result of the living arrangement. It is important to note in these cases that Illinois does not recognize common-law marriages.

In one recent case, a woman met a man in 1978 and began residing with him during that year. The man suggested that they jointly pay for the construction of a home. He promised his property would be transferred to their names as joint tenants. He also promised her that if they ever stopped residing together, she would receive one-half of the equity in the home.

Based on these promises, the woman obligated herself to pay a \$48,000 mortgage. For ten years, the woman and the man lived in the home without benefit of marriage and jointly contributed to the mortgage payments.

The man and woman ceased living together in 1988. He never transferred the property into joint tenancy and failed to pay her one-half of the equity in the property as originally promised.

The woman filed suit in circuit court, and she asked the court to find that her former boyfriend breached a contract between the parties by failing to transfer title to the property in joint tenancy. The man asked that the case be dismissed since the Illinois Supreme Court had previously declared that mutual property rights would not be granted to unmarried cohabitants.

The Court in this case held that the woman was not entitled to any interest in the real estate she helped pay for. The Court noted that property disputes between persons who live together without benefit of marriage will not be recognized under Illinois law. The Court stated that if it gave the woman any interest in the real estate, this would be contrary to the public policy in Illinois, which is to strengthen and preserve the integrity of marriage.

It may seem like a harsh result to deny a woman an interest in property when she helped pay for it for ten years. But the lesson to be learned in this case is that unmarried cohabitants should get their name on the deed and not count on their living arrangement to get them an interest in real estate.

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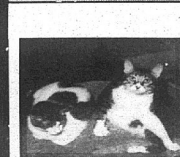
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Call 931-7030 for an interview or visit the shelter at 5000 Old Alton Rd.

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Rewards of cooperation

It is amazing what a community can do when its residents work together.

Recent developments in the fight against teen drug and alcohol abuse in Granite City are an excellent example of intergovernmental cooperation.

On Feb. 23, Granite City police K-9 officers discovered small quantities of marijuana in several lockers at Granite City High School during an authorized random search. Two students were arrested. But the purpose of the operation was not to catch a bunch of kids with drugs. The goal was to deter kids from bringing drugs on campus in the future.

That lofty goal prompted the cooperation of the Granite City Police Department and the Madison County State's Attorney's office. Without the participation of any of those three governmental agencies—the school district, the city administration and the state's attorney—the operation would have been impossible.

The entire operation should be continued and future efforts should be strongly supported by the community. But the operation is by no means the first time various government agencies in Granite City have cooperated in the fight against drugs and alcohol abuse. The Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program in Granite City is a model of cooperation between public and private entities.

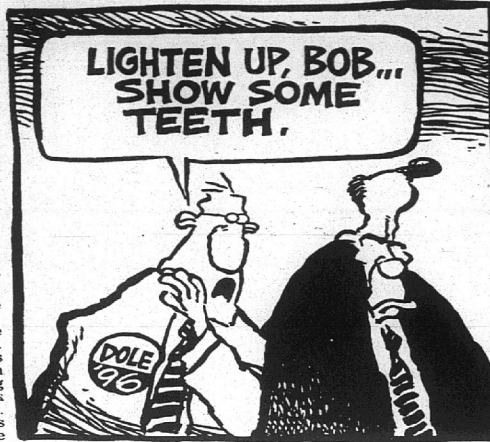
Private donations, public grants and local tax dollars all help make the DARE program a success. Nowhere else in the public sector is cooperation more visible.

Nearly 300 students attended a recent dance at the Granite City Park District's Harold Brown Recreation Center. Also attending was a DARE police officer whose salary is shared by the school district and the city.

The kids were provided with a safe, drug-free environment on a Friday night and had a great time. As more students discover the monthly DARE dances, they may be less likely to spend their time experimenting with drugs and alcohol. And as more parents discover the monthly DARE dances, the more likely the events will be held more frequently.

While we don't necessarily think it is the government's responsibility to baby-sit our children and teach them values, we heartily applaud the work of the DARE Committee and all of the other officials, parents, civic organizations and individuals who helped make the DARE dance a success and the DARE program possible.

And while it is probably impossible to measure the impact the DARE program has had on Granite City's youth, there is one quantifiable goal we can strive for: Granite City has set a goal to be drug-free by the year 2000. We look forward to the day when Granite City's officers search every locker at every Granite City school and find nothing but books, jackets and gym shoes.



Letters to the editor

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acted official Ray has done a good job of representing us on the county board, especially in the area of environmental affairs. He is always accessible to his constituents, fair minded and able to work with others. These qualities have served him well, and he has earned our support and vote.

Being a politician isn't always easy these days as many people have negative feelings about our elected officials. You can't be all things to all people, and Ray has the courage to speak up for what is best for our district. I believe that this one quality of his character is reason enough to support his re-election bid, aside from his other positive attributes.

Therefore, please take the time to vote on March 19. In the final analysis, it's our board. Vote for Ray Romine.

VIRG KAMBARIAN JR.
Granite City

Ray Romine is endorsed

TO THE EDITOR: It has been my pleasure to have served the past two years on the Madison County Board with Ray Romine. I have found Ray to be very professional and to always act in the best interest of the constituents in his county board district.

In short, Ray possesses that "caring quality" that does not come necessarily from education but from an environment in representing his constituency.

On March 19, you will make a very important decision at the polls as to who you would have represent you as your county board member.

I am offering my unequivocal endorsement and support for Ray Romine and hope you will all vote for him.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

RICK J. FACCINI
County Board Member
District 10

On March 19, if you choose to vote for her, I guarantee you will not be disappointed. I would love to see her become the first woman ever elected to the Madison County Board from this part of the county.

DEBRA HAWKINS OEHLER

Helen Hawkins gets support

TO THE EDITOR:

My name is Debra Oehler. I have lived and worked in Granite City and the surrounding area most of my life. I take great pleasure and pride in writing this on behalf of a devoted public servant. Her name is Helen Hawkins. A truly sincere and caring individual whose honesty is unequalled by anyone I have ever known.

Over the past 20 years, her ideas were not always popular, but she has always stood firm in presenting the concerns of the people she represented. She has spent countless hours on projects too numerous to name, often with little recognition, and mostly with no pay. I challenge anyone to find a person with a comparable record. She is well informed and does her research. Those of you who know her will attest to this.

Helen Hawkins is my mother, and I will always love her unconditionally. However, if you think this is why I am writing this, you are wrong. I have always been a strong person with ideas and opinions of my own. Often times, they differed from my mother's. She handled me with an open mind and sense of fairness; not unlike the way I have seen her handle community problems and disputes over the years.

I have had an opportunity to know my fair share of politicians, local and statewide, and have never encountered anyone with the determination and integrity she has. With over 20 years experience, Helen has worked with a wide spectrum of government agencies and officials.

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Some controversy needed on guns

I really hadn't planned to write on this topic. Just the other day I laughingly said to colleagues here that I would write a column about guns except for all the flak I'd catch.

Then it occurred to me that this is just the way the gun lobby would have it: People who are opposed to their policies are targeted for intimidation.

I understand how emotional people get over their "right" to keep and bear arms, but there needs to be some mechanism for the control of guns in this country. Control of the numbers. Control of the types of guns available.

Control over who can get them.

The trouble with guns is they can be used to kill people, both by accident and on purpose.

Usually, though, it's on purpose, the latest high profile example being 15-year-old Kyumia Taylor, who was shot to death as she sat in a school bus in St. Louis.

I know, I know. "People kill, not guns. Besides, the Bill of Rights guarantees..." etc." No, I don't think the Second Amendment should be revoked; it should be augmented, amended. The Bill of Rights is not sacrosanct.

I seriously doubt the framers of the Constitution would look askance at modification if they could see how much things have changed in the past 200 years or so.

A gun is a commodity, like a car, a boat, a loaf of bread, a bottle of booze, and as such is subject to, or ought to be subject to, rules and regulations.

What is a gun? It is a weapon.

The military and various law enforcement agencies spend countless hours and dollars raining people to use firearms. And it's an ongoing process. One must qualify and re-qualify.

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I have been around guns all of my life. I am a gun owner. I am more than a passably good shot. I have a plaque from Uncle Sam on a wall at home that says I am, or used to be, really good.

But is there anything about me that would tell a gun merchant that I am qualified to buy an item that is inherently dangerous? Would he or she care?

Cars are inherently dangerous, too, and we get around that danger by minimizing it. We train. We educate. We license. Try to imagine how things would be if we didn't.

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Same way with guns. Under regulation, guns, like automobiles, will fall into the hands of those with criminal intent, those who are mentally incompetent, the insane. Imagine how much better things can be.

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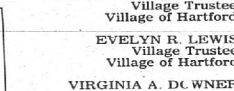
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People

Eight in races for 3 county board seats

Polley, Hawkins duel to succeed Tim Knott

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Two long-time township officials are spreading their political wings and vying for a Madison County board seat from the Granite City area. Chouteau Township Supervisor Pat Polley and Nameoki Township Clerk Helen Hawkins are seeking the Democratic nomination for the county board seat in District 16.

The seat is currently occupied by Charles "Tim" Knott, who is seeking a position in the state legislature.

No Republican candidates are seeking the county board seat.

Polley, a 39-year area resident, has served township residents for the past 24 years. Prior to being elected supervisor three years ago, he served as clerk for 21 years.

"During this time I was not otherwise employed and was available all residents full time," she said.

Polley, a resident of the 500 block of Thorngate Drive, has also served six years on the board of directors for the Township Officials of Illinois and served as state president of the clerks' division. She has compiled and published a manual for all clerks.

She cited her experience, commitment and leadership skills as her qualifications.

"I have a thorough working knowledge of budgets and levies; an extensive

background in grant applications on county, state and federal levels; and a commitment to the community and to the people I represent," Polley said. "I welcome the challenge of leadership as a county board member and feel my experience and background give me the knowledge and ability to function as an effective county board member."

The widow of Robert Polley has also served as a treasurer and Sunday School teacher in the United Presbyterian Church, as president of the Mitchell PTA, den mother of Cub Scout Pack 141, a Brownie Troop leader and president of the Madison County Nursing Home Auxiliary.

She has been awarded an honorary lifetime membership to the Illinois PTA and was named president and "Worker of the Year" by the Granite City Area Council PTA.

"If elected, I promise to actively seek and have participation in decisions affecting the neighborhoods and help in open-door policy for ideas and suggestions; to diligently work with other government agencies to secure additional pumping facilities and upgrade existing ones; to promote the establishment and implementation of uniform county building codes for all future development to better control local stormwater runoff; and to support the activities and recommendations of the regional stormwater committee," Polley said.

Pat Polley

"I believe solving our water problems requires a regional approach," she said. "If chosen as your representative on the county board, I promise to be a leader on these as well as other issues."

She also promised to maintain a good working relationship with other elected officials.

"There is strength in unity. By working together, much can be accomplished," Polley said.

"It's time we plan where we are going and quit arguing about where we've been. Hawkins has been an area resident for more than 40 years. She has served as a precinct committeewoman in Nameoki Township, as a township trustee and as a teacher's aide for the Granite City School District.

"My priorities, if elected, are to serve my district and the entire county to the best of my ability," Hawkins said. Hawkins and her husband, Hubert, a retired potometerist, have two adult children. They

Helen Hawkins

reside in the 2600 block of Angela Drive. She is a high school graduate and a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.

"Being active in many aspects of the county, I will work in harmony with my fellow board members and other elected officials," Hawkins said.

"I will strive to restore the needed public trust and harmony required to effectively serve the people as fairly and honestly as I can. I will target economic development, infrastructure improvements and fiscal sanity."

Hawkins has long been a vocal opponent of development in wetland areas.

"I promise to always keep in mind the dignity and rights of those I serve in regards to wise land use, environmental and community projects (oppose) unwanted truck terminals near residential and retail quality areas; and (oppose) unwise development in wetlands and lakes," Hawkins said.

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Four candidates are seeking the Democratic nomination for Madison County Board Member in District 19.

Incumbent Frank Laub faces a challenge from Harold Davis, Joe Papa and Michael Antonovich in the March 19 primary election.

No Republicans are seeking the office.

Laub, a maintenance planner for National Steel Corp., has been a county board member for 10 years and a precinct committeewoman for 14 years.

Laub and his wife of 38 years, Darlene, reside in the 1500 block of Cottage Avenue. They have three adult children and four grandchildren.

He is a member of Knights of Columbus, Elks, Eagles, St. Elizabeth Catholic Church and a number of county associations.

He serves on the county board zoning and highways committees and is chairman of the board's liquor committee. Laub cited his experience as a planner and on the board as well as his participation in community activities as his qualifications.

He said his goals are to continue to be a watchdog for taxpayers and to generate county funding for projects in his district.

"If elected, I will continue to be a proponent of a safe environment; continue to be a watchdog for zoning changes to ensure home values; be a diligent champion of the interests of taxpayers in my district; prevent unneeded layers of government that generate additional tax levies; and continue to generate county funding for projects in my county board district," Laub said.

Davis is a resident of the 2200 block of Shirline Drive with his wife, Janet, to whom he has been married 40 years. They have three adult children and five grandchildren.

Davis has been employed at Granite City Steel for 41 years and plans to retire in August.

"I will not seek other employment, allowing myself to give the residents full-time commitment as their county board representative," Davis said.

He is a member of Nameoki United Methodist Church, Elks, past president of Hoedowners Square dance club, past officer of the Granite City Chapter of America Local #68 and past master of his Masonic lodge.

He also served on the Granite City school board from 1968 to 1977, as supervisor of Nameoki Township from 1977 to 1981, and as president and secretary of the Long Lake Fire Protection District.

For the past seven years, Davis has been on special assignment with the Participative Management Process at Granite City Steel.

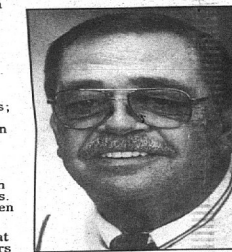
"This process strives toward quality and continuous improvements at the plant," Davis said. "I have extensive training in work-management



Frank Laub



Harold Davis



Joe Papa

relations, facilities, team building, conflict resolution, mediation training and numerous other problem-solving techniques."

Davis said his goal is to make the area a better place to live.

"I am devoted to making this area a better place for all descendants of the residents who moved here 100 years ago and even further."

— and will move — here with the desire to live in a comfortable, friendly and safe community," he said.

Papa has been employed at Olin Corp., where he serves on the board of directors of the Olin Works Management Club, for the past 30 years and plans to retire April 1. He has been married to the former Terry Polley for 33 years. They live in the 2300 block of Shirline Drive and have three adult children and one grandchild.

Papa is a U.S. Army veteran (See DISTRICT 19, Page 8A)

Romine, Eftimoff seek District 21 seat

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

One thing is certain for residents of county board District 21: They will be represented by an experienced board member regardless of the results of the March 19 primary election.

Incumbent Ray Romine and former board member Vasil Eftimoff are seeking the Democratic nomination for the county board seat. No Republican candidates are seeking the post.

Romine, a commander with the Granite City Fire Department, was elected to the board in 1992.

Eftimoff, a retired school teacher and administrator, served on the board from 1982 to 1992.

Romine cited his leadership and experience as over 20 qualifications for office.

"I have spent 28 years as a firefighter, 20 of those in a management and leadership role," Romine said. "I have the ability to size up situations and make decisions as problems arise. A 30-year labor background gives me an insight few have experienced or understand."

Romine currently serves on a number of community committees, including East

West Planning, Leadership Committee of Southwestern Illinois, Employment and Training of Madison County, Madison County Community Development and the advisory board of OATH.

He serves on the county board's Grants, Health Department, and Environmental committees.

He said his priorities include continued economic development and upgrading a number of existing county programs.

"If elected, I will continue to promote economic development in Madison County," Romine said. "I will work with state and local officials to find the answer to our residents' problems, expand the county health department to utilize our resources for the benefit of Madison County, update and modernize our 911 system, expand Madison County

Emergency Planning Commission to better protect our citizens and expand the Madison County Sheriff's Department."

Romine and his wife, Pam, reside in the 2800 block of State Street. They have three children.

Eftimoff, a resident of the 2800 block of Michigan Avenue, served as an administrator,

Ray Romine

principal and teacher in the Granite City School District prior to his retirement. In addition to his previous county board experience, he served on the Granite City School Board from 1949 to 1954 and as a Democratic precinct committeewoman.

He and his wife, the former Anita Kendall, have one adult son.

Eftimoff cited his education and experience as qualifications: He holds a bachelor's degree from Illinois College and a master's degree from St. Louis University.

While serving on the county board, Eftimoff sat on the Finance, Executive, Grants, 911 and Community Development committees. He was chairman of the Central Services Committee.

Eftimoff listed his priorities for precinct committeewoman candidates

Vasil Eftimoff

as operating within a balanced budget, levying no new taxes for voter approval, improving highways and bridges, attracting industry and jobs, bringing county offices onto the Internet and battling the expansion of toxic landfills by foreign contributors.

"If elected, I will be a full-time board member," Eftimoff said.

Eftimoff is active in or a member of Eagles, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Boy Scouts, Shriners, Lewis and Clark Society, Old Six Mile Historical Society, Granite City Ambassadors and Lincoln Athletic Club.

He has served on the Board of Coordinated Youth and Human Services for 32 years, including a term as president.

Election

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The Republican primary ballot carries no candidates for any of the three positions.

Other local contests on the primary ballot include a race for the Democratic nomination for state representative in District 13 and a countywide race for the Democratic nomination for recorder of deeds.

Steve Davis, incumbent state representative in the 11th District, faces a challenge from Knott in Davis' first bid for re-election.

The Democratic nominee will be opposed in November by Republican candidate Jim Mihailovich of East Alton.

State representatives Tom Holbrook and Wyvetter Youngue, who both represent the Granite City Journal area, are opposed in the primary.

Most countywide officeholders face no opposition on the primary ballot. Incumbent Recorder of Deeds Dan Donohoe of East Alton, a Democrat, faces a primary challenge from four-term Recorder Ronald P. "Pink" Lucas of Maryville, who ran Donohoe defeated to take the office in 1988.

Incumbents Auditor Fred Bathon, Circuit Clerk Matt Meluch, Coronator Dan Burke and State's Attorney William Haine — all Democrats — are unopposed March 19.

Richard Hampson, a Republican, will challenge Burke in November.

Also on the primary ballot will be candidates

for precinct committeewoman candidates

Democratic committeewoman candidates

Granite City Township — Stephanie Tinker, of 1406 State St. (precinct 1); Mac Warfield, of 22 Devon Hill Lane (precinct 2); Ginny O'Bear, of 2010 13th Street (precinct 3); Herbert "Junior" Milton of 2319 Washington Avenue (precinct 4); Andy Tink of 2255 Grand Avenue (precinct 5); Debbie Gray, of 2148 Edison Avenue (precinct 6); Jerry Lakin, of 2330 Edison Avenue (precinct 7); Foster Frederick of 2628 Logan Avenue (precinct 8); Richard A. Knobeloch, of 2206 Edwards Street (precinct 9); Edward W. Suddam, of 2818 Harding Avenue, and Stacey M. Holt, of 2903 Roosevelt Avenue (precinct 10); Bailey Sr., of 1732 Olive Street, and Matthew Miller, of 1614 Spruce Street (precinct 11); Gary L. Rainwater, of 2643 Edwards Street (precinct 12); Richard A. Schneider, of 2765 Washington Avenue (precinct 13); Dick Allen, of 2623 Delmar Avenue (precinct 14); Sandy Pence, of 2914 Myrtle Avenue (precinct 15); Bob Page, of 2820 Dogwood Drive, and Darla Bauer, of 3001 Ramona Drive (precinct 16); Alan Order, of 3161 Aubrey Avenue (precinct 17); Frank Laub, of 1535 Cottage Avenue (precinct 18); Emerald Dawes, of 1632 Moro (precinct 19); T.A. Feeler, of 3311 Franklin Avenue (precinct 20); Mike Papp, of 2301

Waterman Avenue (precinct 24); Joe Wallace, of 2569 Iowa Street (precinct 25); Rufus Valencia, of 2920 Victory Drive (precinct 26); Nellie Hagnauer, of 2708 Saratoga (precinct 27); Marjorie Nann, of 2711 Cayuga Street (precinct 28); Cherie Patrick, of 205 Briarwood (precinct 29); Bill Bronnbauck, of 2580 Lynch, and David Partney, of 2624 Donald Court (precinct 30); Judy Whitaker, of 3272 Kilarney (precinct 31); Ray L. Romine Jr., of 2561 Cleveland Boulevard (precinct 32); Roy Pence, of 2188 Lincoln (precinct 33); Art Asandorian, of 3316 Colgate, and Michael Allen, of 3128 Princeton (precinct 34); and Bill Seago, of 2304 St. Clair (precinct 35).

Nameoki Township — Randy Presswood, of 43 Georgetown, and Susan Daugherty, of 32 Gemstone Drive (precinct 1); Dan Woodard, of 2046 Sixth Street in Madison (precinct 2); Fritz Nemski, of 2148 Robert (precinct 3); Billy Joe Hayes Sr., of 3330 Harvard, and David Bohmard (precinct 4); Helen Hawkins, of 2600 Angela Drive (precinct 5); Roger Clutta, of 2536 Ivy Lane (precinct 6); Ken Davis, of 53 Shirline Drive (precinct 7); Ron Bridges, of 4285 Lake Drive (precinct 8); Judy K. Merritt, of 35 Iris Avenue (precinct 9); Pete Novachik, of 4611 D'Lynn Drive, and Michael Antonovich, of 2525 Arnold Drive (precinct 10); and Carl Macios, of 78 Cambridge Drive (precinct 11).

Venice Township — Tyrone Echols, of 216 B Hamden (precinct 1); Ruby Johnson, of 531

Washington Street (precinct 2); John Dickie Ervin, of 1212 Logan (precinct 4); Beulah Williams, of 814 Franklin Street (precinct 5); Eleanor Armour, of 1538 Third Street in Madison (precinct 6); William C. "Bill" Papa, of 1802 Fourth Street in Madison (precinct 7); Andy Economy, of 638 Alton Avenue in Madison (precinct 8); John Bellico, of 1017 Grand Avenue, and Ralph Miller, of 1101 Grand Avenue, both in Madison (precinct 9); and Joe Young Sr., of 1020 College Avenue in Venice (precinct 11).

Chouteau Township — Gerald "Jerry" Morgan, of 545 Fleming Street (precinct 1); Jack Ship from Jr., and Forrest L. Dhue, both of South Roxana (precinct 2); Dennis E. Pearson, and Dudley T. Luebert, both of Hartford (precinct 3); Greg A. Harper, of 2531 Rogers, and Jon R. Yates, of 512 Thorngate (precinct 4); James B. Taylor, of 109 Cynthia Lane (precinct 5); Thelma Greer, of 5504 Maryville Road, and Don Hamilton, of 1428 Chouteau Place Road (precinct 6); and Franklin D. Conour and Dennis Carpenter, both of South Roxana, (precinct 7).

Area Republicans who filed for committee positions are Laura Vickers, of 21 Edward (Nameoki precinct 12); Edward L. Hubbard and Harry Mason, both of South Roxana, in Chouteau precincts 2 and 7, respectively; and Earl Hogan, of 221 Kerr in Venice (precinct 1).

Obituaries

Edgar Paddock

Edgar R. "Paddy" Paddock, 91, of Granite City, formerly of Champaign, died at 1:35 a.m. Wednesday, March 6, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He was born Nov. 4, 1904, in Brighton and had been a resident of Granite City for 42 years.

An assistant chief clerk in the yard office of the Illinois Terminal Railroad prior to his retirement, he was a World War II Air Force veteran.

Mr. Paddock was one of the founders of the Granite City Senior Council, the American Association of Retired Persons Granite City Chapter 1340; Magna Bank Senior Club; Central Bank Five-Star Club; Granite City Social Club; the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks; Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville Advisory Senior Fair Planning Board and the Thursday Senior Club.

Survivors include his wife, Grace C. (Bachert) Paddock, whom he married Sept. 28, 1945; two daughters, Guldara Snider of Jerseyville and Peggy Keltner of Granite City; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Mae (Palmer) Paddock.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City, where services are at 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Bruce Rushing officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are requested for Niedringhaus United Methodist Church.

Hazel Reeves

Hazel M. (Toney) Reeves, 97, of Granite City, formerly of Christopher, Ill., died at 11:12 p.m. Monday, March 5, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, following a two-year illness.

Mrs. Reeves was born Aug. 6, 1898, in West Virginia and had been a resident of Christopher for 25 years prior to moving to Granite City more than 50 years ago.

A homemaker, she was a member of the former North Granite Pentecostal Church in

Granite City

Survivors include one son, Virgil Reeves of Lebanon; one daughter, Grace of Granite City; one brother, Emmet Toney of Granite City; one sister, Opal Siddle of Granite City; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, the Rev. Roy Reeves, whom she married Dec. 2, 1917, in Granite City, and who died Jan. 15, 1982; her parents, William and Minnie (Hannah) Toney; five brothers, Edgar, Willie, Carles, Edward and Ira Toney; and four sisters, Elsie Downen, Zettie Layman, Ruby Bailey and Grace Toney.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, and 9 to 11 a.m. Friday at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave. in Granite City, where services are at 11 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Len Jackson officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights.

Opal Cavender

Opal Lee (Glascio) Cavender, 68, of Pensacola, Fla., formerly of Granite City, died at 3:17 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, 1996, at her residence. She was born Sept. 6, 1927, in Tupelo, Fla., and had been a resident of Pensacola for three years.

Mrs. Cavender was a homemaker.

Survivors include two sons, William L. Burress of Pensacola and Millard O. Martin of Anna; two daughters, Audie Toas and Eula Mae Thompson; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Cavender, who died June 25, 1993; her parents, Edwin and Nola (Whitt) Glascio.

Visitation is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at Werner Chapel, 3939 Lake Drive in Pontoon Beach, where services are at 1 p.m. Friday. Burial will be in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

Kovar twins

Amber SueAnn Kovar and Dominic Renee Kovar, infant children of Herman Walter Kovar and Sherylne Brees of Granite City, died at 11:15 p.m. Monday, March 4, 1996, at St. Mary's Hospital in Clayton, Mo.

In addition to their parents, survivors include paternal grandfather, Fred Wayne Kovar Sr. of Hardin and JoAnn Lutz of Elsie; maternal grandparents, Hugh Brees of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Peggy Hagmeister of Troy; paternal

great-grandmother, Louise Kovar of Granite City; maternal great-grandparents, Keith and Pat Grant of Talent, Ore., and Marvin Brees of Fairbanks; and maternal great-grandmother, Ruth Gebhart of Medford, Ore.

Visitation is from noon to 1 p.m. today, Thursday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City, where services are at 1 p.m. today with the Rev. Robert DeGrand officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

D. Eddington

Donald E. Eddington, 70, of Tynora, Ark., formerly of Granite City, died Monday, Jan. 29, 1996, at St. Bernard's Hospital in Jonesboro, Ark. He was born Oct. 19, 1925, in Granite City.

A graduate of Granite City schools, he was a postmaster prior to his retirement as a member of the First Pentecostal Church in Tynora. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Survivors include one son, Donald E. Eddington II of Fort Myers Beach, Fla.; two daughters, Susan Eddington Fulton of Guatemala and Janet Eddington Woods of Poplar Grove, Ark.; four sisters, Dorothy Cherry of Collinsville, Virginia; Gladys of Louisville and Isabelle Bowles and Jean Jackson, both of Granite City; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rosa (Emrich) Eddington, who died in 1980; his parents, Russell and Emma Eddington; one brother, R. Marvin Eddington, who died in 1972; and one sister, Eddington Kozar, who died in 1995.

Services were Feb. 2 in Tynora with his son-in-law, the Rev. Gary Fulton, and the Rev. Boyd Hosman officiating. Burial was in Tynora Cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by Roller-Citizens Funeral Home in West Memphis, Ark.

Howard Uptain

Howard M. Uptain of St. Louis died Tuesday, March 5, 1996, at his residence. He was born in Virginia J. (Qualls) Uptain; one son, Howard W. Uptain; two daughters, Norma Uptain and Judith Uptain; and two granddaughters, Claudia, John D., James and Claude Uptain; two sisters, Katharine Pearson and Betty Kelly; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bob Camp.

Burial in Vallhalla Cemetery. Memorials to Jerseyville Care Center.

THOMPSON, T.C. 75, of Louisville, Tenn., formerly of Granite City, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996, at Blount Memorial Hospital, Louisville. Services were Feb. 26 at the First Baptist Church, Louisville. Burial in Sherwood Memorial Gardens in Newport, Ark. Burial in Grace-Lawn Cemetery.

WEST, Floyd O., 96, of Granite City died Sunday, March 3, 1996, in Paragould, Ark. Services were Wednesday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City. Burial in Grace-Lawn Cemetery.

ZIVIC, Rose Marie (Pitnaka), 83, of St. Louis, formerly of Edwardsville, died at 8:28 a.m. Sunday, March 4, 1996, at Charles Retirement Center, St. Louis. Services were Wednesday at St. Boniface Catholic Church, Edwardsville, by the Rev. John Corredato. Burial in Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Arrangements by Mateer Funeral Home, Edwardsville. Memorials to American Cancer Society.

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ROBERTS, Steven P., Jr., 9, of Collinsville died at 8:32 p.m. Friday, March 1, 1996, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville. Services were Wednesday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach, by the Rev. Mark Ward. Burial in Valley View Cemetery, Edwardsville. Memorials to State Park Baptist Church.

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Visitation is from 3 to 9 p.m. today, Thursday, at Alexander Funeral Home, 11101 St. Charles Rock Road at Lindbergh in St. Louis, where services are at 1 p.m. Friday. Burial will be in Laurel Hill Cemetery. Memorials are requested for the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

L. T. Crowder

L. T. Crowder, 93, of Brooklyn died Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1996, in Belleville. She was born in Gunnison, Miss.

Survivors include one son, J. D. Crowder of Chicago; two daughters, Doris Middleton of Omaha, Neb., and Eurgie Garth of Brooklyn; one sister, Orville Warren of Chicago; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were March 3 at Lovejoy Temple Church in Brooklyn with the Rev. William Turner officiating. Burial was in Sunset Gardens of Memory in Millstadt.

Arrangements were handled by Officer Funeral Home in East St. Louis.

Hull to face off with area fans at new Target

A St. Louisan with a pretty good aim will be at Target Sunday during its grand opening in Edwardsville.

Louis Blue winged Brett Hull is scheduled to appear to sign autographs, and several other activities and contests are planned for customers.

Hull will sign autographs "for all the kids and adults," said Shirley Ashauer, manager of the new store on Troy Road.

A time for Hull's appearance had not been determined Tuesday. A spokesman for Coca-Cola said the product Hull is promoting, said the hockey player would be able to sign about 300 autographs during his one-hour appearance.

The store opened to shoppers Wednesday, but this weekend will kick off a week of grand opening celebrations.

Hull will be joined by a few other folks who know how to put the biscuit in the basket or at least help put a snack cake in a shopping cart. Keebler the Elf, the Mrs. Cookie Man, the Twinkie Kid and Chester the Cheetaah will greet shoppers Sunday and throughout the week.

At an open house at the store Tuesday night, Target distributed six grants to local community organizations.

The Alton Telegraph

Saturday classes under way at BAC

A variety of classes ranging from wanting to electrical repairs are offered as Saturday Experience workshops this spring at Belleville Area College, Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Road.

Each of these noncredit classes will meet on a Saturday or a weeknight. Some classes will meet only once, while others will meet for several sessions.

Tuition and supply costs will vary depending on the class. Tuition must be paid before the first day of class; however, supply fees must be paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

Classes in the categories of arts and crafts, business and computer and personal and professional are offered. A variety of classes will start the week of March 9.

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Chases

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police, reckless driving and disobeying a traffic signal. A police officer reported seeing a maroon Geo Metro fail to stop for a flashing red light on Niedringhaus Avenue at 20th Street. The officer followed the Geo in his squad car to the intersection of Niedringhaus Avenue, Cleveland Boulevard and 19th Street, where he activated his emergency lights and the Geo accelerated away, according to a police report.

The officer followed the Geo, allegedly driven by Kutz, westbound on Niedringhaus Avenue, where the car allegedly ran four stop signs.

The Geo turned right (north) on Illinois 3, and spun around 180 degrees, the report states. It then made a U-turn and continued north on Illinois 3 in the southbound lanes and the northbound lanes.

The officer saw a semi-tractor trailer and three cars, all southbound, swerve to avoid striking the Geo head-on.

At 20th Street, the police car pulled behind the Geo in the southbound lanes and clocked it at 85 miles per hour, the report states.

At Rock Road, the Geo switched to the northbound lanes of the highway and continued north. The car turned left on West Pontoon Road, right on Slough Road and continued under Interstate 270 to the canal levee road, where it turned left.

Authorities said Kutz continued south at about 50 miles per hour and eventually lost control on the gravel road. The car spun off into a field and got stuck in the mud, where Kutz was arrested.

At a police station, Kutz took three field sobriety tests and a breathalyzer test. Her blood alcohol measured .21 — more than twice the legal limit — according to the report.

Webb, who was treated at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City after the accident, was cited for aggravated fleeing to elude police, three counts of disobeying a stop sign, improper lane usage, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, driving with carelessness and reckless driving.

According to police reports, at about 4 p.m. officers observed Webb driving recklessly at the intersection of Fourth and Kern Streets. She then turned on Third Street, nearly missing several children.

Police chased Webb from Venice into Madison, and then to East St. Louis, National City and Brooklyn, reaching speeds of about 110 mph, according to officers.

The chase ended back in Venice when the vehicle struck a fence at the intersection of Third Street and Madison Avenue.

Later at the Venice police station, Webb complained of a headache and asked to be taken to a hospital. Reports said she told police she had been trying to kill herself, and a suicide note was found in her purse.

District 19

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honorable discharged after six years of service. He attended Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville between 1958 and 1964, with concentration in business administration.

Papa is a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Elks, AMVETS Post #204, the Granite City High School Booster Club, Greater Fraternal Union #222 and Junior Engineers Training Society. He has been involved in Little League baseball, boys and girls soccer and various neighborhood improvement programs. He chairs an annual food drive to benefit the needy in the TriCities area.

He has been employed in the past at International Shoe Co. in St. Louis, General Steel Co., and as a carpenter for the M.H. Wolfe Co.

"I am proud to say that I was a dues-paying member of all the unions affiliated with these companies," he said.

He cited his business and labor experience as his qualifications for the position.

"When elected, I intend to bring over 38 years of labor and management experience to serve the voters. I intend to bring my professional experience to the county board and help to maintain a balanced budget," he said. "I will strive to obtain all federal and state grants which will be used in funding industry, business and individual taxpayers' needs."

"I intend to help to ensure that all taxing districts receive taxes on time, thereby eliminating borrowing and thus saving the taxpayers thousands of dollars in interest monies. I intend to be very sensitive to the needs of my constituency."

Antonovich, a resident of the 2300 block of Arnold Drive, could not be reached for information for this article.

Hearing

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matter for the last couple of years," Maxwell said. Granite City Steel spent \$112 million on pollution control between 1973 and 1995, Maxwell said.

Omohundro said Granite City Steel violated federal and state air pollution regulations and a federally-enforceable construction permit by exceeding emissions limits, failing to implement repair requirements in a timely manner and failing to keep adequate records.

In addition to coke-oven gas, pollutants cited in the complaint included benzene and particulates such as fly ash, dust and smoke, Omohundro said.

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We're asking readers of the Granite City Press-Record and Granite City Journal to help us honor the area's best waiter/waitress.

Voting begins today and ends March 13 for Best Waiter/Waitress. The voting is part of our monthly "Best Bet" feature in which we seek the best of a particular category, selected by our readers.

To vote, call 344-2340 before 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 13. You will be asked to leave a recorded vote.

Please include the name of the person you think is the best waiter or waitress and the name of the restaurant where he or she works and the city where the restaurant is located. After you've voted, hang up and your vote will be recorded.

The winner will be announced in the Thursday, March 21, edition of the Press-Record.

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Funeral summary

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

BRAWLEY, Rita (Brazier), 70, of Granite City died at 6:42 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1996, at St. Louis University Medical Center, St. Louis. Services were Saturday at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Granite City. Burial in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Arrangements by Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Memorials to Handicapped Kids.

FRAZIER, Esther Helen "Billie" (Phillips), 87, of Granite City died at 5:47 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1996, at her residence. Graveside services and burial were Friday in Hillcrest Cemetery, Carverville, Ill. Arrangements by Irwin Chapel, Granite City.

GREEN, Aileen (Jenkins), 87, of Roxana, formerly of Mitchell, died Friday, March 2, 1996, at her residence. Services were Tuesday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach. Burial in Eastlawn Cemetery, Salem.

LUCAS, Celestine E. 84, of Granite City died at 2:02 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 29, 1996, at St. Mary's Health Center, Richmond Heights, Mo. Services were Saturday at Davis Funeral Home, Granite City, by the Rev. Rose Hermonat. Burial in St. John Cemetery, Collinsville. Memorials to St. Peter Evangelical United Church of Christ, Granite City.

NATHAN, Ashley Danielle, nine months, of Foxbox, Miss., formerly of Belleville, died at 1:55 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28,

Survivors include one son, Virgil Reeves of Lebanon; one daughter, Grace of Granite City; one brother, Emmet Toney of Granite City; one sister, Opal Siddle of Granite City; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, the Rev. Roy Reeves, whom she married Dec. 2, 1917, in Granite City, and who died Jan. 15, 1982; her parents, William and Minnie (Hannah) Toney; five brothers, Edgar, Willie, Carles, Edward and Ira Toney; and four sisters, Elsie Downen, Zettie Layman, Ruby Bailey and Grace Toney.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, and 9 to 11 a.m. Friday at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave. in Granite City, where services are at 11 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Len Jackson officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights.

Opal Lee (Glascio) Cavender, 68, of Pensacola, Fla., formerly of Granite City, died at 3:17 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, 1996, at her residence. She was born Sept. 6, 1927, in Tupelo, Fla., and had been a resident of Pensacola for three years.

Mrs. Cavender was a homemaker. Survivors include two sons, William L. Burress of Pensacola and Millard O. Martin of Anna; two daughters, Audie Toas and Eula Mae Thompson; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Cavender, who died June 25, 1993; her parents, Edwin and Nola (Whitt) Glascio.

Visitation is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at Werner Chapel, 3939 Lake Drive in Pontoon Beach, where services are at 1 p.m. Friday. Burial will be in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

Amber SueAnn Kovar and Dominic Renee Kovar, infant children of Herman Walter Kovar and Sherylne Brees of Granite City, died at 11:15 p.m. Monday, March 4, 1996, at St. Mary's Hospital in Clayton, Mo.

In addition to their parents, survivors include paternal grandfather, Fred Wayne Kovar Sr. of Hardin and JoAnn Lutz of Elsie; maternal grandparents, Hugh Brees of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Peggy Hagmeister of Troy; paternal

great-grandmother, Louise Kovar of Granite City; maternal great-grandparents, Keith and Pat Grant of Talent, Ore., and Marvin Brees of Fairbanks; and maternal great-grandmother, Ruth Gebhart of Medford, Ore.

Visitation is from noon to 1 p.m. today, Thursday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City, where services are at 1 p.m. today with the Rev. Robert DeGrand officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

D. Eddington
Donald E. Eddington, 70, of Tynora, Ark., formerly of Granite City, died Monday, Jan. 29, 1996, at St. Bernard's Hospital in Jonesboro, Ark. He was born Oct. 19, 1925, in Granite City.

A graduate of Granite City schools, he was a postmaster prior to his retirement as a member of the First Pentecostal Church in Tynora. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Survivors include one son, Donald E. Eddington II of Fort Myers Beach, Fla.; two daughters, Susan Eddington Fulton of Guatemala and Janet Eddington Woods of Poplar Grove, Ark.; four sisters, Dorothy Cherry of Collinsville, Virginia; Gladys of Louisville and Isabelle Bowles and Jean Jackson, both of Granite City; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rosa (Emrich) Eddington, who died in 1980; his parents, Russell and Emma Eddington; one brother, R. Marvin Eddington, who died in 1972; and one sister, Eddington Kozar, who died in 1995.

Services were Feb. 2 in Tynora with his son-in-law, the Rev. Gary Fulton, and the Rev. Boyd Hosman officiating. Burial was in Tynora Cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by Roller-Citizens Funeral Home in West Memphis, Ark.

Howard M. Uptain of St. Louis died Tuesday, March 5, 1996, at his residence. He was born in Virginia J. (Qualls) Uptain; one son, Howard W. Uptain; two daughters, Norma Uptain and Judith Uptain; and two granddaughters, Claudia, John D., James and Claude Uptain; two sisters, Katharine Pearson and Betty Kelly; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bob Camp.

Burial in Vallhalla Cemetery. Memorials to Jerseyville Care Center.

THOMPSON, T.C. 75, of Louisville, Tenn., formerly of Granite City, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996, at Blount Memorial Hospital, Louisville. Services were Feb. 26 at the First Baptist Church, Louisville. Burial in Sherwood Memorial Gardens in Newport, Ark. Burial in Grace-Lawn Cemetery.

WEST, Floyd O., 96, of Granite City died Sunday, March 3, 1996, in Paragould, Ark. Services were Wednesday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City. Burial in Grace-Lawn Cemetery.

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Steve Porter
Staff writer

Henson era nears end at Illinois

Comments on the final season of collegiate basketball for Lou Henson, the retiring coach of the University of Illinois, and Richard Keene, the senior product of Collinsville.

Regardless of the bumper stickers that appeared in Champaign saying: "Dump Lou," Henson was a credit of the U of I not because of his 424-231 record or career total of 683-328 (.680 percent) but because he was able to survive coaching in three decades on a level that has become high-profile as well as high-pressure.

Do not feel sorry for Lou if you're thinking of money. He'll do quite well as a retiree — my guess with an income close to \$100,000 per year due to his retirement being based on a percentage of his yearly earnings, including the money earned via summer camps. And, realize there were some loyal Illini fans not too delighted with seasons of 13-15 in 1992 followed by 19-13, 17-11 and 19-12 prior to this season's 18-10. That adds to 69-51 figures far from a stretch of 31-5 in '89 followed by 21-8 and 21-10.

You see, on the NCAA Division I level, that can lead to entry into the lucrative postseason tournament, and a coach better have the likes of at least one of a Nick Anderson, Kenny Battle or Kendall Gill (Illini stars of '89). And, if you have all three, the expectations remain as high as the achievement of a Final Four appearance.

No wonder, then, why I was amazed with the poise of Henson in recent years when he had to face the reality of his son's death from an automobile accident and also face being age 64 in a game where younger coaches use the age factor for a recruiting edge.

I last spoke with Henson in 1992 at the Prairie State Games in Champaign, where I kidded the coach that he looked better in person than on television. Rather than referring to matters like the bitterness brought by losing games or recruits, I commented on how he made sure he was seen even in the heat of the summer at the sparsely crowded Champaign gyms.

Thus, it is understandable why Henson would recommend longtime assistant Jimmy Collins for the head coaching spot, since Collins is the Illini link to Chicago.

For Keene, the day of Henson's retirement announcement (Feb. 24 and a 91-86 victory over Iowa) and Dec. 2 (a 75-66 win at Duke) were days accentuated by the best of Richard.

Long after Keene and Henson have left Illinois, Richard's 14 points, including three of four 3-point shooting, seven rebounds and seven assists in 26 minutes at Duke, will be memorable.

Again, in defeating Iowa, Keene was spectacular with a career-high 25 points. He hit six of 12 3-pointers and added seven rebounds and five assists to help secure what at least should be a National Invitation tournament bid.

Troubled previously by a sprained wrist, Keene broke loose to add to his U of I 3-point scoring record and also add to a statistic that showed the Illini were 11-3 in '90-91 when Keene scored in double figures.

Of course, therein lies another look at the Illini, since it is obvious that when Keene played well during his four years, Illinois played well. The same cannot be said of junior guard Kiwane Garrison, who will be an interesting character for Henson's successor.

"I was concerned about recruiting," Henson said after announcing his retirement, even though the 6-foot-6 Keene is the team's only senior.

Then again, maybe Lou meant the recruiting of a new coach who will have to find a way to handle the undisciplined playground style of Garrison while establishing a winning system that will attract future players.

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

Although the Granite City soccer team did not return to state last fall, college recruiters still know the value of a GCHS soccer player. That fact is obvious, as the total number of GCHS soccer players to sign with colleges this year has reached seven. Mark Mendenhall recently signed to play with Missouri-St. Louis. Steve Logan will play soccer at Rockhurst College, Justin Berniax has agreed to play at Northeastern Illinois and Jeff Hayes and Buddy Praxma will each attend Lewis & Clark College.

The seventh name on that

Lady Warriors' McMillan scholar athlete

Denise McMillan has been chosen to represent Granite City High School as its scholar athlete of the year.

The newspaper annually chooses 10 prep athletes from the St. Louis area. Each high school in the entire area can submit one candidate, and from the huge list the choices are narrowed down to just 10.

McMillan, 17, certainly has the qualifications. She is currently ranked No. 2 in her class and has received several academic honors, including Illinois State Scholar and the Washington University Book Award.

McMillan has picked up a total of eight varsity letters — four in basketball, three in volleyball and one in soccer. She was captain of the basketball team the past two seasons, as well as captain of the volleyball team last fall. She was the MVP on the basketball team two straight years, and received the same honor in volleyball in 1995.

She was selected to the All-Area basketball team last year, and is a cinch to do so again after averaging 23 points per game as a senior.

The 1996 Scholar Athlete Dinner will be held May 9 at America's Center in St. Louis.

McMillan

list is Justin McMillan, who received all-conference, all-state and all-midwest honors after his senior year at GCHS. Now McMillan, the son of Bob and Debbie McMillan, has decided to play at Western Illinois University.

Western Illinois, located in Macomb, Ill., is becoming a fun place to play for GCHS soccer players. Two former Warriors, Matt Little and Mike Bristol, already play for the Leathernecks.

It should make things a lot easier," McMillan said. "Matt and Mike together, so I don't know if I'll be able to live with either one. But it should help on the field and off."

With several schools interested in McMillan's talents, he said it was the chance to play that led him to choose WIU.

"I've talked to the coach there, and he said he has a spot for me, even as a freshman," McMillan said. "They'll be missing two pretty good strikers this year, and that's where he wants me to play. I may see some center-midfield, but mostly I'll be striking."

McMillan, 17, added that he liked the thought of going to a school relatively close to home.

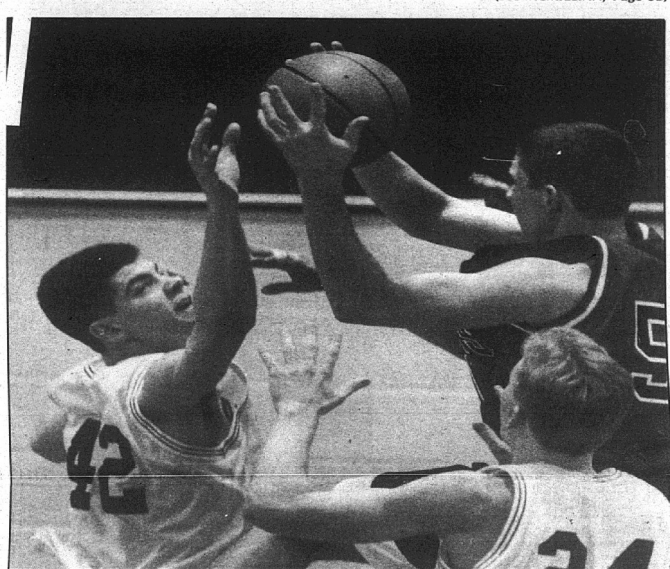
"It's close to Granite City, and I'll get to play. Those are the two things I wanted," he said.

McMillan said he was scouted at the Tournament of Champions last fall, and the WIU coach liked what he saw. By the same token, when McMillan visited the WIU campus over the winter, he also was impressed.

"It's got everything I need, even though the campus is a little out in the middle of nowhere," he said. "But the weight room is modern, and that's where I'll be spending a lot of time."

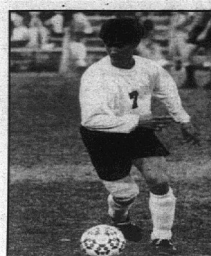
McMillan suffered through a muscle tear in his thigh last season, but he said that the leg is fine.

"It's perfect. It hasn't bothered me at all," he said. "I (See MCMILLAN, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Granite City sophomore Dustin Brewer fights through a pair of Collinsville defenders during the Warriors' regional loss to the Kahoks last week. Collinsville fell to Edwardsville on Tuesday in the sectional semifinals at SIUE.



Granite City senior Justin McMillan will play Division I soccer next fall at Western Illinois University.

Schwarzkopf, Tigers set to kick off

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Edwardsville High boys soccer coach Mark Schwarzkopf will take on the same position as head coach of the newly formed Tigers' girls soccer team.

The girls soccer program was started one year before the Tigers join the Southwest Conference in the 1996-97 school year where Belleville East, Belleville West, Collinsville, Granite City and Alton already have the sport.

The first girls practice was held on Monday at the EHS sports complex.

Schwarzkopf has been the coach of the boys team for the past five seasons. He guided the boys team to the quarterfinals of the state soccer finals in Palatine this past fall.

"I am very enthusiastic about it," Schwarzkopf said. "I'm really looking forward to finding out a little bit more about training young women in terms of what works and what doesn't work. That will also be a learning experience and teaching experience for me. I can compare what works for the boys and what works for the girls. I think that will (See TIGERS, Page 3B)

Schwarzkopf

Red Devils' season ends in regional

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

The optimism of the 1995-96 Venice Red Devils' season was short-lived, as the team faltered early in the season and never did straighten itself out.

With five of their first six games at home, the Devils had a chance to start the season off with a bang. But after those six games, they were just 2-4. The Devils lost seven of their last eight games — including a 65-56 regional loss to rival Madison on Feb. 20 — and finished the season 6-17.

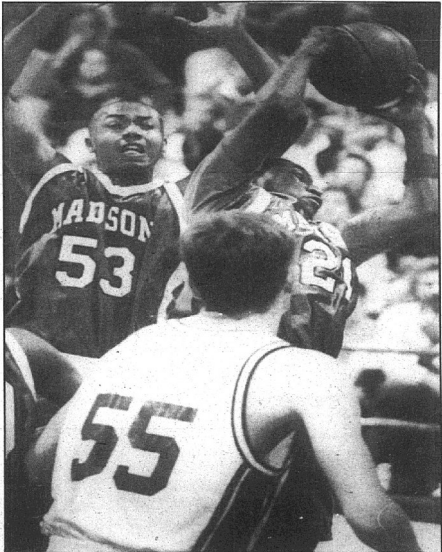
That's a disappointing record, considering where we were at the end of last year and what we thought we could do this year," said Venice coach Ron Harris. "We had our ups and downs, and we didn't get many breaks."

"We play a strong schedule, against a lot of quality teams and quite a few big schools. But that's no excuse. We still have to go out there and execute, and we didn't do a good job of that. We never did find any consistency."

Venice was hurt this year by first, the transfer of guard Ron Taylor to Cahokia; then a rash of minor injuries which had the Devils limping all season. Not many people know about all the little injuries we had," Harris said. "It seems like we had more than our share."

Still, consistency was the key word for Venice. The Devils showed flashes of brilliance, with a narrow loss to Freeburg in the season opener. Freeburg went on to win the Vandalla Class A Section before falling to Lawrenceville on Tuesday in the Charleston Class A Super-Sectional.

The Devils rallied to get past



(Photo by BEN MARTIN)

Madison High's Tony Smith pulls down a rebound as Kevin Bradley looks on. The Trojans defeated Venice last month in the first round of the Freeburg Class A Regional.

Weslin on Dec. 5, but then fell to a Dupo team that went through three head coaches this year. Venice looked solid when it went 2-2 in the Columbia Holiday Tournament, but two weeks later the Devils went 0-3 in the less-competitive Sports Tournament.

That tournament began Venice's downfall, Harris said. "No, we never did recover from that week," he said. "That was terrible. We showed then just how bad we could play. You work all year to try (See RED DEVILS, Page 2B)

Shannon among Alton coaching candidates

By R.J. Gerber
Staff writer

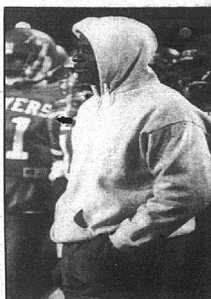
Some may call it a formality, but the interviewing process for the Alton High School football coaching position began Monday.

Among the six applicants scheduled to be interviewed by an eight-member committee was Bob Shannon, nationally renowned for his accomplishments at East St. Louis Senior High School.

Shannon, 51, brings a resume that is unparalleled among the other five candidates. Included in the Tennessee State University graduate's portfolio are six Illinois state championships, two other title-game appearances and a record of 192-34 in 20-plus varsity seasons.

Seven men applied for the position, vacated when Collins James resigned in mid-December after 10 seasons at the helm. Three of the applicants are employed by the Alton School District, two are from Missouri, one is from Collinsville and Shannon completes the list.

Joe Hook, 40, an Alton assistant varsity coach the last



Former East St. Louis Senior football coach Bob Shannon could be back on the sidelines next fall with Alton High School.

eight years, will interview, as will 32-year-old Ron Frye, (See SHANNON, Page 2B)

Pan American baseball seeking coaches, players

Plans are already under way for this summer's Pan American Baseball Championships, which will be held at Fairview Heights in August.

The teams are not yet set, nor are the coaches. That's why tournament organizer Kevin Whitworth is asking area high school and college coaches to get involved as the teams are put together.

"The first thing I want to do is make everyone aware of what's going to take place this summer in Fairview Heights," Whitworth said. "This tournament will bring in teams from around the country and the world. And I want to let young ballplayers know that they have an opportunity to play in this tournament."

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Pontoon Khoury League
The Pontoon Beach Khoury League Inc. is holding sign-ups for its T-Ball, baseball and softball leagues. The sign-ups will be taken at the Pontoon Beach Village Hall, 3910 Highway 111, during the month of March.

Sign-ups will be held each Wednesday and Thursday of the month. Interested parties should bring a birth certificate and a photograph. Umpires are also needed this year. For more information, call Ida at 797-5477, Tracy at 931-1291 or Cheryl at 583-6705.

Park District tourney
The Granite City Park District will hold a basketball tournament March 29-30 for boys in grades 6-8 and girls in grades 7-8.

The entry fee for teams is \$90, and the deadline for registration is March 22. For information on girls teams, call Joe Wallace at 876-3578 (day) or 451-0963 (evening). For information regarding boys teams, call Kelly Hogan at 931-6538.

Park District leagues.
The Granite City Park District is now accepting entries for all T-ball, youth baseball, ponyball softball and all adult softball programs. Player and team registration is being taken at the Wilson Park office. The Park District also needs volunteer coaches for all youth programs. The Park District will make every effort to find a team for any child wanting to play baseball or softball this year.

•Baseball

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This year's tournament is similar to the Whitworth organized two years ago in conjunction with the 1994 Olympic Festival.

The format at the Olympic Festival was to select 64 athletes from across the country and form four regional teams. From those teams, the USA Junior National Team is formed.

But this year, Whitworth said he wants to show off the local talent. So he is asking for area coaches and players to get involved if they can. Coaches will be selected for four metro regional teams in April. Coaches that are selected will have to commit to the whole program. They will be selected by a committee of baseball and sports officials.

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who's posted a .650 winning percentage as the AHS junior varsity coach the past two seasons.

Alton superintendent Michael Beaber said the candidates will be judged on three primary qualifications: experience, background and education.

"The committee will ask each applicant the same questions and also look at performance, background and experience," Beaber said.

While no candidate comes close to what Shannon has accomplished on the field, the terms in which the former Flyers leader left East St. Louis may cause some concern.

In a rift with school administrators about the use of athletic funds, Shannon resigned after one game last fall. He later attempted to regain the East Side coaching position, but was rebuffed by the District 189 school board.

Shannon, who taught physical education at East Side, has expressed a desire to move into an administrative position and relinquish any classroom duties. Indications are that a middle school athletic director position will be created to accompany the football coaching duties.

The mere mention of Shannon as a candidate has deterred others from applying. One Alton administrator said the number of applicants was surprisingly lower than he expected because of Shannon.

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(Staff photo by JOHN FREE)

Granite City senior Jay Simpson drives to the basket.

•Red Devils

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and bring your guys together, but that just seemed to fall apart that week. We never could find that again."

After the Columbia tourney, when the Devils were 4-6, they went 2-11 the rest of the way.

But Venice will have a core of good players returning next year, including junior guard Kevin Roberts, who led the Devils in scoring this season with 18.6 points per game. Roberts also led the team in assists (4.9) and steals (3.5).

However, a group of four outstanding players will be lost to graduation, and Harris said that group will be missed.

"We can't replace those guys, but we do have some young talent that I think can help us out next year," he said. "We'll have to wait and see with them, but there's definitely some athletic talent there."

After the 1994-95 season, when the Devils pulled their share of upsets, Harris was optimistic. Now, he says he'll be tempted to be pessimistic.

"I liked it better when we were rebuilding and we snuck up on some people," he said. "This year, we were expected to do well and fell short. Next year, I think we'll be rebuilding."

Journal Writers' Poll Boys Basketball

LARGE SCHOOLS	
1. Webster Groves (27-3).....	70
2. DeSmet (24-8).....	63
3. Collinsville (22-5).....	56
4. CBC (22-5).....	44
5. St. Charles West (23-6).....	37
6. Vashon (20-8).....	34
7. Belleville East (21-6).....	28
8. Parkway C. (23-4).....	23
9. North West (20-9).....	13
Also receiving votes: Mascoutah, Francis Howell and De Soto	

SMALL SCHOOLS	
1. Cardinal Ritter (21-6).....	70
2. Freeburg (26-4).....	63
3. Berkeley (22-8).....	54
4. Lutheran South (17-11).....	42
5. Wellston (17-8).....	40
6. Columbia (21-8).....	38
7. Valley Park (23-4).....	33
8. Burroughs (21-7).....	23
9. Warrenton (20-8).....	11
10. St. Charles (15-11).....	9

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1. Cor Jesu (28-2).....	70
2. Parkway South (26-3).....	63
3. St. Joseph's (20-8).....	52
4. St. Charles West (21-6).....	49
5. Hazelwood Central (24-2).....	42
6. Gateway Tech (24-3).....	32
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9. O'Fallon (21-8).....	13
10. Belleville East (21-8).....	6

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•McMillian

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played on it through the whole winter indoor season with no problems. I'll play club soccer for the Elks this summer, and concentrate on scoring. That's what I need to work on before I get to campus this fall."

He added that he would like to bulk up a bit for next year as well. McMillian is currently about 5-foot-10 and 150 pounds. After a few years of rather dismal play, McMillian says the Leathernecks have turned things around in the past few years.

"They used to not be too competitive, but that's changed," McMillian said.

"They've been a good team over the last year or two. I think in Division I, I'll see a lot better competition."

McMillian said his father played a large role in developing his talents early in life, and that he had a lot of coaches who helped him hone his skills.

"And Coach (Gene) Baker, of course," he said. "I can remember my age group when we were freshmen, and we weren't that good. But after working with Coach for a while, our attitudes changed. Now I'm just happy to be going to college, and (Baker) has been a big part of that."

•Tigers

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make me a better coach. I may even be able to convey those differences in either gender better and get more out of them. It will be advantageous to myself."

Chung Baker will be the assistant coach. She also is an assistant volleyball coach.

Schwarzkopf said it is exciting to be on the ground floor of building a tradition at EHS.

"There are some difficulties with starting a program obviously," Schwarzkopf said. "It's fun because myself in conjunction with Coach Baker we can go in and establish guidelines, coaching philosophy, team rules and some objectives for the season that can be 100 percent completely fresh."

Schwarzkopf, a Granite City resident, was the natural candidate to be the boys coach, he has an extensive background in the sport. He knew when the school joined the Southwestern Conference that establishing a girls soccer program would soon follow.

"It had been talked about for several years now and (EHS athletic director) Tim Dougherty had always questioned me about it," Schwarzkopf said. "I told him that I would volunteer my services to the girls program."

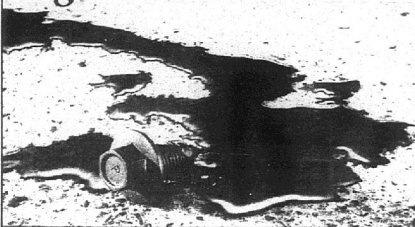
The Tigers play a competitive schedule. After playing Staunton and small schools Mater Del and Gillespie, the Tigers will host East St. Louis Lincoln, which will also field its inaugural girls soccer team. From there the schedule gets tough with the likes of Belleville East, Alton, Collinsville, Belleville West and Granite City.

"We do have one player that qualifies as a soccer succession," Schwarzkopf said. "She plays on the J.B. Marine Club. They have had tremendous success. We have a couple of more high caliber-type players. The training will be similar to what we did with the boys. It will be demanding and it will be high conditioning."

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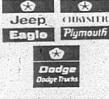
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"Anne Frank Remembered," an extraordinary documentary by Jon Blair, sheds startling new light on the Holocaust's most poignant victim, ranking alongside Steven Spielberg's "Schindler's List" as a human testament.

Most schoolchildren and their parents are familiar with the story of Anne Frank's two years of hiding with her family and others in the annex of an Amsterdam factory. "The Diary of Anne Frank" has sold 25 million copies in 55 languages since its first publication in 1947. The book resulted in a hit Broadway play and a successful movie.

But until now, little has been known about the Frank family's earlier life and the horror that followed their capture by the Germans. "Anne Frank Remembered" remedies that by offering the first and only voices of those who witnessed the events in occupied Holland and the Nazi death camps. Their memories remain vivid a half-century later.

Miep Gies had been a particular heroine. She had worked for Otto Frank in the Amsterdam factory that manufactured pectin for use in jam-making. When the family moved upstairs, she supplied food and news of the outside world every day.

On Aug. 4, 1944, an anonymous phone call informed the Germans that Jews were hiding in the Frank factory. Gies recalls their capture and how the place was looted.

An officer stealing the Franks' goods needed something to carry them in and emptied Otto Frank's briefcase. Among the contents: his daughter's diary. After the Germans left, Gies rescued the diary, and later gave it to Otto Frank, the sole survivor of the family, when he returned to Amsterdam.

Survivors of the Auschwitz and Bergen-Belsen death camps tell harrowing stories of the final days of Anne and other family members. Anne and her sister, Margot, escaped the gas chambers because of sickness. Starved and frozen, they died in a typhus epidemic in early 1945.

A British playwright, filmmaker and TV news producer, Blair brought a rare devotion to "Anne Frank Remembered." He located and interviewed 14 people who knew the Frank family, and also found and restored rare film, including the only known movie of Anne — a brief shot of her looking out the window of her home.

He also won approval to film special effects inside the Frank house, dramatizing the events that took place there. "Anne Frank Remembered" is a Sony Pictures Classics release. The narration is by Ken Brannen. It runs for 122 minutes. Running time: 122 minutes. Rated PG.

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Centennial — Judy Burns, left, and Judy Knapp arrange a hanging basket for a mockup of Sieveking Gardens, which will be part of the setting at the Granite City Centennial Celebration Banquet, to be held Saturday at St. Gregory's Hall in Granite City.

Horoscope

Thursday, March 7
It's earthquake time. Why? Pluto, the planet of nuclear energy, new technology, neonatal medicine and earthquakes, hits a stationary position today. Tides — physical and emotional ones — will hit a new peak.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Get proof in hand before you present your case or make accusations. Timing is iffy — wait if you can. Bouquets of praise for creative work lead to more money, but you must ask for it. A pal turns sour — don't take it personally.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your generosity has hit its limit. You deserve some discretionary money to use on yourself. Others who make you feel guilty will stop if you ask. Rent payments and hospital bills can be reduced. Avoid picking up a pal's habit.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21) You enter a more elite world because of work, volunteering or a new love partner. Avoid being controversial — just yet. Simple requests bring favors. Your creativity is directed in ways that drain your talents.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) Foreign friends and interests lead to potential new jobs and businesses. Spend money on fancy travel. Collaborate with a former co-worker — both of you can get results. Your lover is in the mood to marry.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Control isn't really the issue — what you need is more overall freedom. Set limits for both you and your partner. Artwork, writing and proposals get rave reviews. Consider spending on a car, appliance or home.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 21) A deep-seated desire now is possible to achieve. A distant relative offers support, money and advice. Romance is high in May and October. Expect a reconciliation in November. Marry a

Capricorn or Leo. April brings a new or improved home. Settlements and earnings in June are just the tip of the iceberg. Your career shifts in '97. You win in December.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A little less discipline and a lot more spontaneity bring you the lover or companion you desire. Check out Libra this evening. Gather papers for presentations. Make weekend plans early. Consider a trip.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 21) You are dealing with a problem that really isn't yours. Use

battery, but put the spotlight on the real culprit. Deals have been made behind your back. Keep business pals and family separate for now. This evening, call a relative.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21) Be judicious about what you say. Keep in touch with business colleagues who know about job openings. Mechanical troubles create tensions, so be prepared and relax. Take caution that an old diary isn't discovered.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You are finally being tak-

en seriously. Complaints, letters and calls lead to new respect. Be willing to tell a love what you recall. Job openings are found at places that recently laid people off — apply.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) First impression make an impact. Show your self-respect by looking your best. Power comes from Eastern philosophical ideas. A routine appointment brings great news. Tell others about your lofty financial goals.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Even small progress should encourage you to stick with a project. Hire professional help — it's less costly. Separate what a family member says from what he or she really does. Lovers discuss the future.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) View a restriction in a new light. A situation is improving — though you don't notice. Valued possessions should not be loaned. Attend conferences and meetings. Network for new jobs. Use humor to calm a lover.

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